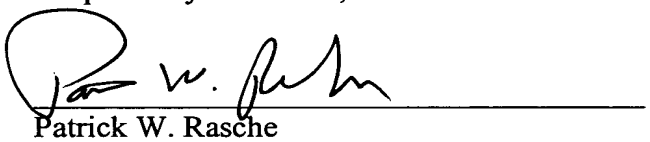
Remarks

Please enter the foregoing preliminary amendment prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 1-8, 11-18, and 21-25 are now pending in this application. Claims 9-10 and 19-20 are canceled without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Claims 1, 11, 21, 22, and 24 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,



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